

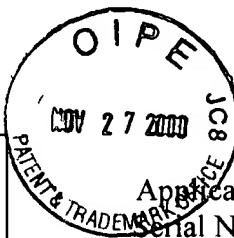
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Attn: Director, Group 3738
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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action dated May 24, 2000, extending the statutory period of response from August 24, 2000 to November 24, 2000.

Our check in the amount of \$890.00 to cover the fee for the three-month extension of time is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2230. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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